



Vocabulary Power

Lesson 24 Usage

People express their emotions and ideas in many different ways. Perhaps you like to take pictures, write songs, perform plays, or write stories. Some of us communicate through humor. The vocabulary words in this lesson relate to different ways people express themselves.

Word List

articulate

emotion

lyrics

repertory

audition

encore

orator

tripod

comedian

farce

EXERCISE A Usage

Study the boldfaced words as they appear in the paragraph. Write what you think each word means on the lines provided. Then, look up the vocabulary word in a dictionary and write its meaning.

I was filled with **emotion** as I entered the room for my **audition**. Here I would hopefully demonstrate my outstanding acting skills and be chosen to be a member of the **repertory** theater group. They wanted a wide range of talents! I'd have to sing **lyrics** from popular songs, inspire laughter as a **comedian**, use my dancing ability in the physical gags of a **farce**, and project my voice well and far as an **orator** in serious drama. Through all these moods, I had to **articulate** my words clearly so that the audience could understand them. How would I ever do all this? I entered the room and placed my video camera on its **tripod** to record the audition. Taking a deep breath, I began. Believe it or not, they asked for an **encore**. I'd saved a favorite song and was delighted to perform one more piece, knowing that they liked me.

1. **emotion** _____

Dictionary definition _____

2. **audition** _____

Dictionary definition _____

3. **repertory** _____

Dictionary definition _____

4. **lyrics** _____

Dictionary definition _____

5. **comedian** _____

Dictionary definition _____

6. **farce** _____

Dictionary definition _____

7. **orator** _____

Dictionary definition _____



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8. articulate _____

Dictionary definition _____

9. tripod _____

Dictionary definition _____

10. encore _____

Dictionary definition _____

EXERCISE B Sentence Completion

Circle the letter of the word or phrase that best fits each sentence.

1. If you're asked for an encore, you're asked to _____.

- a. stop performing
- b. perform some more
- c. start the performance over
- d. bring the performance into the audience

2. Emotions reflect _____.

- a. how you feel
- b. where you live
- c. what you look like
- d. the foods you eat

3. In a repertory, you'd find _____.

- a. a one-woman show
- b. a single long-running show
- c. many actors performing many plays
- d. a run of dramas at a theater

4. If I articulate my words, you probably _____.

- a. can't understand me
- b. ask me to speak more loudly
- c. repeat them after me
- d. understand me clearly

5. Lyrics are _____.

- a. played by many instruments
- b. heard during science class
- c. developed by songwriters
- d. played by the trombone

6. A comedian enjoys _____.

- a. making people laugh
- b. teaching people to paint
- c. lecturing on physics
- d. driving people to work

7. A tripod is _____.

- a. a three-wheel bicycle
- b. a three-legged stool
- c. an animal with three heads
- d. a camera with three lenses

8. At an audition, _____.

- a. props and lighting are designed
- b. actors show their talents
- c. the theater is officially opened for the season
- d. the show closes early



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Lesson 25 Words Related to Writing

Writing takes many forms. Sometimes it is formal, such as research reports or nonfiction books. Sometimes it is informal, such as the personal note you write to a friend. No matter the form, writing is a process that takes you through several stages. The vocabulary words in this lesson all relate to writing—its process and its products.

Word List

anecdote

editorial

monogram

revision

autobiography

illegible

postscript

scripture

bibliography

manuscript

EXERCISE A Context Clues

Read each sentence and study the context of the boldfaced vocabulary word. Then answer the questions to check your understanding of the vocabulary words. Finally, write the dictionary definition of each word.

1. In her **autobiography**, Leslie told the hilarious but sometimes tragic story of her life.

Who must the author of an autobiography write about? _____

Dictionary definition _____

2. Both the priest and rabbi quoted **scripture** often to support their religious ideas.

What is one place where scripture might be heard or found? _____

Dictionary definition _____

3. The teacher returned my report ungraded because she said it was so **illegible** that she could not accurately evaluate it.

What is one thing you could do to prevent a report from being illegible? _____

Dictionary definition _____

4. The newspaper **editorial** expressed strong views about America's role in the crisis.

What is one way you might respond to an editorial? _____

Dictionary definition _____

5. Some museums exhibit the **manuscripts** of famous writers to show their creative works in the earliest stages.

What is one way that a manuscript might look different from a published book? _____

Dictionary definition _____

6. An **anecdote** is a bit like a snapshot in that it tells readers a brief story about the characters.

How do you think a novelist could use an anecdote? _____

Dictionary definition _____



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7. By studying the **revision** process, we can understand how a book changed from its earliest stages to its final published product.
What is one thing you might do to a piece of writing during the revision process? _____
Dictionary definition _____
8. After signing my name, I remembered another tidbit and dashed off a **postscript** to my letter.
Where is the most likely place to find a letter's postscript? _____
Dictionary definition _____
9. Mr. Hansen provided a specific format for the report's **bibliography** and asked us to provide page numbers in addition to each book's title, author, and publisher.
What is one way readers could use a bibliography? _____
Dictionary definition _____
10. I guessed that she must be Joanne Myra Caez because the **monogram** on her shirt read JMC.
What does a monogram tell? _____
Dictionary definition _____

EXERCISE B Usage

If the boldfaced word is correctly used in the sentence, write *correct* above it. If not, draw a line through it and write the correct vocabulary word above it.

1. With its bright pink ink, Sheila's **monogram** stood out on every letter she wrote.
2. During the recent debate about the school budget, passionate **editorials** appeared in almost every issue of the local newspaper.
3. In writing his **scripture**, the actor recalled the many people who had shaped his career.
4. Danny's **postscript** reminded Nate to bring an extra bathing suit when he visits next month.
5. As the soldiers huddled in the dark, Jared kept the others awake by sharing **editorials** from his childhood.
6. Pharmacists often have to call the doctor's office for help in understanding the doctor's **illegible** handwriting on the prescription order.
7. My professor requires that I turn in my **anecdote** so that she can see how I changed the report from its first draft to the final version.
8. Many people find tremendous comfort and wisdom from reading **scripture**.
9. I discovered a fascinating book on undersea creatures in the **bibliography** of a *National Geographic Magazine* article on viper fish.
10. In today's world, a **manuscript** is not usually written by hand but is typed on a computer.



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Lesson 26 The Latin Roots *dic/dict* and *claim/clam*

Many word roots come from either Greek or Latin. These word parts carry the main part of a word's meaning but usually cannot stand on their own as a word. The roots *dic* and *dict* mean "speak" or "say." The roots *claim* or *clam* mean "cry out" or "shout." Words built around these roots relate to speaking or shouting. The vocabulary words in this lesson have either *dic/dict* or *claim/clam* as their roots.

Word List

acclaim

contradict

diction

proclamation

benediction

dedicate

predictable

verdict

clamor

dictator

EXERCISE A Synonyms

Each boldfaced vocabulary word is paired with a synonym or phrase whose meaning you probably know. Think about what the synonym means. Then, think about how the vocabulary word builds on the roots *dic/dict* or *claim/clam*. Describe a situation where you might use the vocabulary word. Then, look up the word in a dictionary and write its meaning.

1. **contradict** : disagree _____

Dictionary definition _____

2. **verdict** : decision _____

Dictionary definition _____

3. **proclamation** : announcement _____

Dictionary definition _____

4. **clamor** : commotion _____

Dictionary definition _____

5. **diction** : word choice _____

Dictionary definition _____

6. **dedicate** : commit _____

Dictionary definition _____

7. **benediction** : blessing _____

Dictionary definition _____

8. **predictable** : expectable _____

Dictionary definition _____



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9. **dictator** : tyrant _____

Dictionary definition _____

10. **acclaim** : enthusiasm _____

Dictionary definition _____

EXERCISE B Word Equations

Use your knowledge of prefixes, suffixes, and word roots to complete the equations with the correct vocabulary word. Then, explain how each word builds on the roots *dic/dict* or *claim/clam*.

1. *contra-* "against" + *dict* = _____

Explanation _____

2. *ver-* "truth" + *dict* = _____

Explanation _____

3. *de-* "remove from" + *dic* + *ate* "act in a specified way" = _____

Explanation _____

4. *clam* + *-or* "state or quality of" = _____

Explanation _____

5. *pro-* "before" + *clam* + *-ation* "process or action" = _____

Explanation _____

6. *ac-* "to" + *claim* = _____

Explanation _____

7. *dict* + *-ion* "state or quality of" = _____

Explanation _____

8. *bene-* "good" + *dic* + *-tion* "process or action" = _____

Explanation _____

9. *dict* + *-ator* "one who" = _____

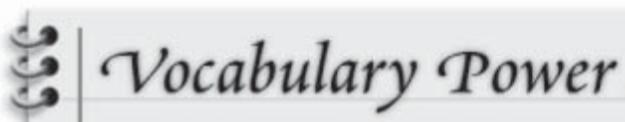
Explanation _____

10. *pre-* "before" + *dict* + *-able* "capable of" = _____

Explanation _____

EXERCISE C Multiple-Meaning Words

Many words have more than one meaning. Look up the word *dedicate* in a dictionary. On a separate sheet of paper, write a sentence for each definition, using the word correctly.

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Lesson 27 Using Reference Skills

Using a Dictionary: Multiple-Meaning Words

A multiple-meaning word is one that has more than one definition. When you look up a multiple-meaning word in a dictionary, you will see several definitions in the same entry. For example, note the multiple meanings of the word *affect* in this dictionary entry:

af • fect ¹ (e-fekt') *tr. v.* **-fect • ed, -fect • ing, -fects.** 1. To have an influence on or cause a change in. 2. To act on the emotion of; touch or move. 3. To attack or infect, as a disease. —*n.* (af' -fekt'). 1. *Psychol.* **a.** A feeling or emotion as distinguished from cognition, thought, or action. **b.** A strong feeling having active consequences. 2. *Obsolete.* A disposition, feeling, or tendency.

EXERCISE

Read the sentences and look up each boldfaced word in a dictionary. Write the meaning that is being used in the sentence.

1. The **object** of this lesson is to teach you about multiple-meaning words.

Dictionary definition _____

2. Do you **object** to smoking areas in restaurants?

Dictionary definition _____

3. To turn on this computer, **depress** the button on the upper right corner of the keyboard.

Dictionary definition _____

4. Don't read this article if you're in a bad mood; it will only **depress** you further.

Dictionary definition _____

5. It took me a moment to **realize** that Ned was joking.

Dictionary definition _____

6. I wonder if Marissa will ever **realize** her dream of becoming a doctor.

Dictionary definition _____

7. Each day students are expected to check the **status** of their biology experiments and record any changes.

Dictionary definition _____

8. Peter's broken-down jalopy is hardly a **status** symbol.

Dictionary definition _____

9. Can two circles be **parallel**, or does the concept apply only to straight lines?

Dictionary definition _____

10. The main character in this novel faces some situations that **parallel** my own life.

Dictionary definition _____

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Circle the letter of the word that best completes each sentence.

1. The team entered the stadium to the _____ of an enthusiastic crowd.
a. verdict b. clamor c. monogram d. farce
2. To raise money for our new gymnasium, we have hired _____ Jed Binet to entertain us.
a. comedian b. tripod c. repertory d. manuscript
3. Use the _____ to stabilize the camera when the truck turns onto the gravel road.
a. repertory b. audition c. orator d. tripod
4. Henri watched the _____ on Camille's face as she finished reading his sad poem.
a. acclaim b. emotion c. encore d. diction
5. Ginny is in the habit of adding a rambling _____ that is often longer than the body of her letter.
a. monogram b. manuscript c. autobiography d. postscript
6. I am outraged by the president's behavior and will be writing a biting _____ for Monday's edition of the *Post*.
a. editorial b. bibliography c. monogram d. benediction
7. When the _____ was read on the news, we were shocked that the jury found the man innocent.
a. proclamation b. verdict c. benediction d. dictator
8. No matter what his true feelings are on an issue, my brother will _____ me just to debate.
a. audition b. contradict c. articulate d. acclaim
9. Robert is such a wonderful _____, we are sure he has a future in motivational speaking.
a. orator b. dictator c. scripture d. monogram
10. When Michael tried to leave the stage, the audience demanded a(n) _____ by applauding wildly.
a. audition b. benediction c. encore d. proclamation